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Minutes

Board of Regents' Proprietary Schools Advisory Commission
November 13, 2012

The Louisiana Board of Regents' Proprietary Schools Advisory Commission met on Tuesday, November 13, 2012, at 10:00 a.m. in Room 1-190 of the Claiborne Building, Baton Rouge. Vice-Chair Jones called the meeting to order and the roll was called.

Commission Members Present

Tina Begnaud
Richard D'Aquin
James Dorris
Keith Jones, Vice-Chair
Raymond Lalonde

Staff Members Present

Nancy Beall
Chandra Cheatham
Kristi Kron
Carol Marabella
Larry Tremblay

Commission Members Absent

Ralph Bender, Chair
James Fontenot
Gloria Simmons

Guests Present

(See Appendix A.)

The first item of business was the approval of the minutes from its meeting of September 11, 2012.

On motion of Mr. D'Aquin, seconded by Ms. Begnaud, the Proprietary Schools Advisory Commission unanimously adopted the minutes of the September 11, 2012 meeting of the Proprietary Schools Advisory Commission.

The next agenda item considered by the Commission was operating license renewals. Ms. Marabella informed the Commission that there were twenty-six (26) schools seeking renewal. These schools scheduled for renewal were in complete compliance, having met all the legal and administrative requirements to be re-licensed.

Following further discussion,

On motion of Ms. Begnaud, seconded by Mr. Lalonde, the Proprietary Schools Advisory Commission unanimously recommends that the Board of Regents renew the licenses of the following proprietary schools (initial license date in parentheses):

Academy of Interactive Entertainment (09/22/10)
American School of Business (09/24/09)
Ayers Career College (10/25/90)
Becker Professional Education--Baton Rouge (10/24/96)
Becker Professional Education--New Orleans (10/24/96)
The Captain School, LLC (09/22/11)
Career Technical College (09/28/06)
Career Technical College of Shreveport (09/28/06)
Carvas College d/b/a Cardiovascular Technology Training, Inc. (09/27/07)
Coastal College--Baton Rouge (09/28/00)
Compass Career College (09/23/04)
Crosby Court Reporting Center (10/28/93)
Delta College, Inc. (10/26/95)
Delta College, Slidell Branch (09/23/04)
Diesel Driving Academy--Shreveport (06/21/73)
Eastern College of Health Vocations (10/28/99)
John Casablancas Modeling and Career Center (09/24/09)
Nursing Assistant Network Association (10/27/94)

Premier Nursing Assistant Training Academy, LLC (09/22/11)
Professional Institute of Court Reporting, Inc. (09/24/09)
Saint Agatha Career School, LLC (09/22/11)
Southern Security School, Inc. (09/25/08)
Sparx Welding & Technology Institute (08/26/10)
Thomas Training & Development Center, Inc. (10/26/95)
Unitech Training Academy, West Monroe (09/23/04)
The World's Only Tattoo School, LLC (09/27/07)

Ms. Marabella informed the Commission that no institution chose not to renew its license this renewal cycle.

The next item on the agenda was an update on program approvals. Vice-Chair Jones reminded the Commission that staff approved these updates administratively and course approvals were being shared with the Commission for information purposes only.

Under Report from Staff, Dr. Tremblay stated that the work activities within the Proprietary Schools Section are progressing well. Even though staff did not refer any applications for initial licensure to the Commission at this meeting, there are several applications anticipated to be included on the January Commission agenda. Dr. Tremblay introduced Ms. Nancy Beall, a Board of Regents staff member, who will be cross-trained to assume some of the job responsibilities of Ms. Ann Evans who is planning to retire in Spring 2013.

Under Other Business, Ms. Marabella explained to the Commission that staff has recently studied and researched the term “academically credentialed area” as it specifically relates to the subject, “Anatomy and Physiology”. Staff was seeking a Commission directive in defining “academically credentialed area” as included in Chapter 7 of the Commission’s Rules

and Regulations as it relates to the minimum qualifications of instructors in proprietary schools.

After further discussion, the Commission instructed staff to continue to maintain consistency in its interpretation of academically credentialed subjects.

Ms. Marabella shared a list of proposed dates for Proprietary Schools Advisory Commission meetings in 2013.

On motion of Ms. Begnaud, seconded by Mr. Lalonde, the Proprietary Schools Advisory Commission unanimously adopted the 2013 meeting calendar as presented at the September 11 meeting.

The next meeting of the Proprietary Schools Advisory Commission is scheduled for Tuesday, January 8, 2013, at 10:00 a.m., in Room 1-190 of the Claiborne Building. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:50 a.m.

APPENDIX A
GUESTS

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Danny Head

Unitech Training Academy, Inc.